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SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Dear SCCPMA Members,

The costs of higher education in this country can be staggering. If you are someone who is currently paying those costs, just go ahead and replace "can be" with "is".

Well, SCCPMA wants to help.

We are pleased to once again present the **SCCPMA Scholarship Program** that is designed to help our members and their immediate families reach their higher education goals. The scholarship program guidelines, the application process and the application itself are included in the link button below. You can also use the link to make a contribution to the Fund and help us make dreams come true. The deadline to submit a completed application with all of the required documentation is **5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021.**

We encourage all members to forward this information to your staff, team members and employees.

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The Marriott Resort & Spa at Grande Dunes

8400 Costa Verde Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572



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S.E. Petro-Food Marketing Expo

Sheraton Convention Center

2101 N. Oak Street, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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SCCPMA Board Meeting

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SCCPMA Annual Convention

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SCCPMA Membership Meeting

The Marriott Resort & Spa @ Grande Dunes

8400 Costa Verde Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

AUGUST

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8:30 AM - 12 PM

HazMat Training

SCCPMA Headquarters

1809 Gadsden Street, Columbia, SC 29201

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10 AM - 2 PM

SCCPMA Planning Conference

The Hall @ Senate's End

320 Senate Street, Columbia, SC 29201

OCTOBER

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EMA Fall Meeting

InterContinental Chicago

505 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611

5-8

NACS Show

McCormick Place

2301 S King Drive, Chicago, IL 60616

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Legislative Win for SCCPMA



SCCPMA passed legislation to exclude buydowns from the state's sales tax saving South Carolina retailers from having to charge, collect and remit this new tax that was set to go into effect on July 1, 2021.

Click here [2021-2022 Bill 3726: Gross proceeds of sales - South Carolina Legislature Online \(scstatehouse.gov\)](#) to see a copy of the new law.

Click here [SC Information Letter #21-12](#) to read the Department of Revenue's formal announcement that as a result of the new law championed by SCCPMA, they are formally withdrawing Revenue Ruling #20-3 "Buydowns – Tobacco Company Payments to Retailers" and Information Letter #20-35, "Buydowns – Tobacco Company Payments to Retailers – Effective Date."

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Group Room Block Information:

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Group Name: SCCPMA Annual Convention

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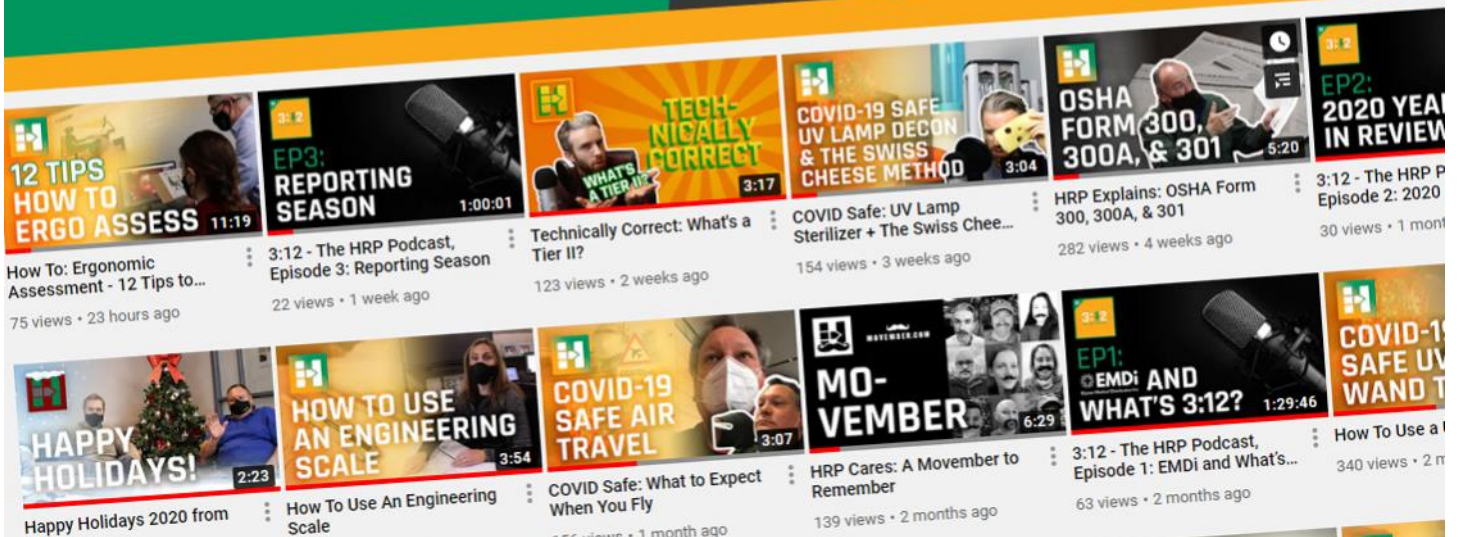
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The many types of electrical equipment, and how often they are used, are things we often take for granted when they work as intended. Your business may rely on one or more of the following:

- ⌚ Computer, phone, and other sensitive electronic systems
- ⌚ Machinery, pumps, power tools
- ⌚ Refrigeration systems
- ⌚ Heating and air conditioning
- ⌚ Overhead and display lighting
- ⌚ Security doors or alarm systems

Should one of these systems or pieces of equipment lose its power source, it could not only interrupt daily work, it could be dangerous and expensive. Costs could stem from physical damage to the system, loss of business income, service interruption, clean up, temporary repairs, and spoilage of perishable goods.

Having an emergency preparedness and recovery plan in place can help your business weather the storm should the power go out. Your plan could include:

- A key employee responsible for coordinating post-outage recovery of electrical systems.
- A list of all business critical electrical systems at your business.
- Plans for mitigating the impact of short-term and long-term loss of electricity, such as moving to backup energy sources like generators.
- Policies regarding performing regular preventative maintenance on electrical equipment per manufacturer specifications. Inadequately maintained electrical systems are a leading cause of business interruption, poor energy efficiency, equipment wear-out, and breakdowns.

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- Verification that your business has systems breakdown coverage for your line of work.

Severe weather conditions and the havoc they bring are becoming increasingly unpredictable but having a plan in place to reduce the impact of electrical outages can help your business recover following a storm. Take action today before disaster strikes your electrical system.

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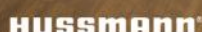
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ERC TODAY: TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT

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Last year, many employers ignored the ERC, instead choosing the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). Initial guidance mandated participation in **only one** of these two stimulus programs, and at the time, the PPP was often a quicker path to getting funded.

HOWEVER, Notice 2021-20 formalized the amendments to the program, **which now allows recipients of Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans to retroactively participate** in the Employee Retention Credit as well.

This means that **eligible employers** can now receive **up to \$5,000 per employee** paid from 3/12/2020-12/31/2020.

There are **hundreds of millions of dollars** waiting to be claimed!

SO HOW DOES A BUSINESS GET PAID?

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